PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. D'ATE - TIME GROUP  28 April 49 29/0149	2. CATION	Tuscon, Arizona	332
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION	ENTIFIED	
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LENGTH OF OBSERVATION  12 minutes  5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION  Ground-Visual  7. COURSE	the size of a	ed a very large, sausage-like city block. It was reflective curved trajectory. It faded	ng sunshine and
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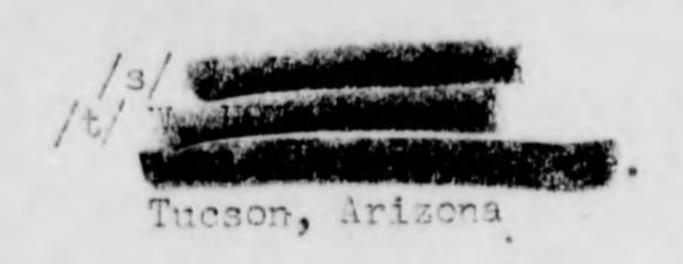
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were standing near the corner of Campbell Ave. and East Medrick Drive while this object was in sight. Ther were no openings visible, windows or any other indentifiable marks. The only way I can describe it is that it was sausage like in shape. I am sure that this was not a conventional aircraft and to the best of my knowledge and belief I can give no resonable explanation as to exactly what his object was that I saw.



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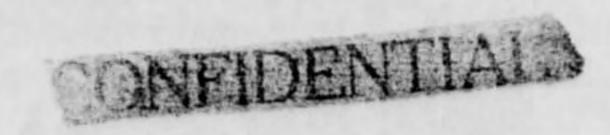
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#### AT TUCSON. ARIZOMA

- 1. Will interview neighbors of observers.
- 2. Will contact FBI for check of records.

#### AT GAILUP, NEW MEXICO

- 1. Will check neighbors of Mr. R to ascertain character and reliability of witness.
  - 2. Will check FBI files for record of



#### STATEMENT

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At 5:45 P. M. on 28 April 1949 I sighted an object NE of Tucson, Arizona at an angle of 75 degrees from the horizontal and at an altitude of about 25,000 to 30,000 feet. I noticed this object while standing in front of the Circle W. Rarch near the corner of East Hedrick and North Campbell Avenue, at 2218 East Hedrick Drive. I first noticed it because of the reflection of the sun on the object which showed it a brilliant silvery color. When I first sighted the object it was traveling in a south-easterly direction and finally curved to the southwest and disappeared from view. I observed it for about 40 minutes.

This object was cigar shaped with rounded ends. Had no tail assembly or wings that I could see. It seemed to be rotating as it traveled. I would sav it was traveling at a high rate of speed. There were no clouds, and the sky was very clear. Toward the front of the object I noted two circular holes which looked just like eyes from that distance.

I did not hear any noise or notice and exhaust or vapor trails.

From its altitude I would saw it would be as large as a B-29.

I was in company with two other men. One man's name was Ham and the other man was called Tex.

I called Davis-Monthan AFB and talked to the S. O. D. who was on duty that evening.

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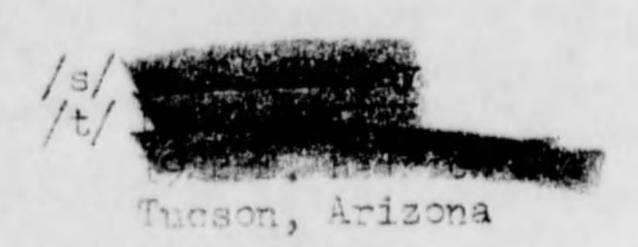
At about 5:30 P. M. on the night of 28 April 1949, I noted an object in the sky northeast of where I reside which traveled in a southeasterly direction and eventually turned to the southwest and disappeared from sight. I would judge this object to be at an angle of 60 degrees and from 4 to 5 miles high.

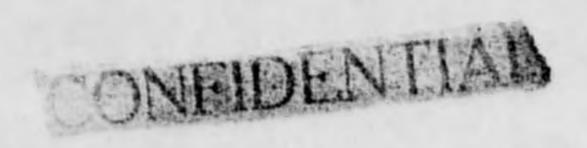
This object seemed oval in shape and when it caught the sun's rays it was a brilliant silvery color. When I first observed this object it seemed to turn over and disappeared for awhile. I noticed it again a few minutes later again much farther south of my first observation.

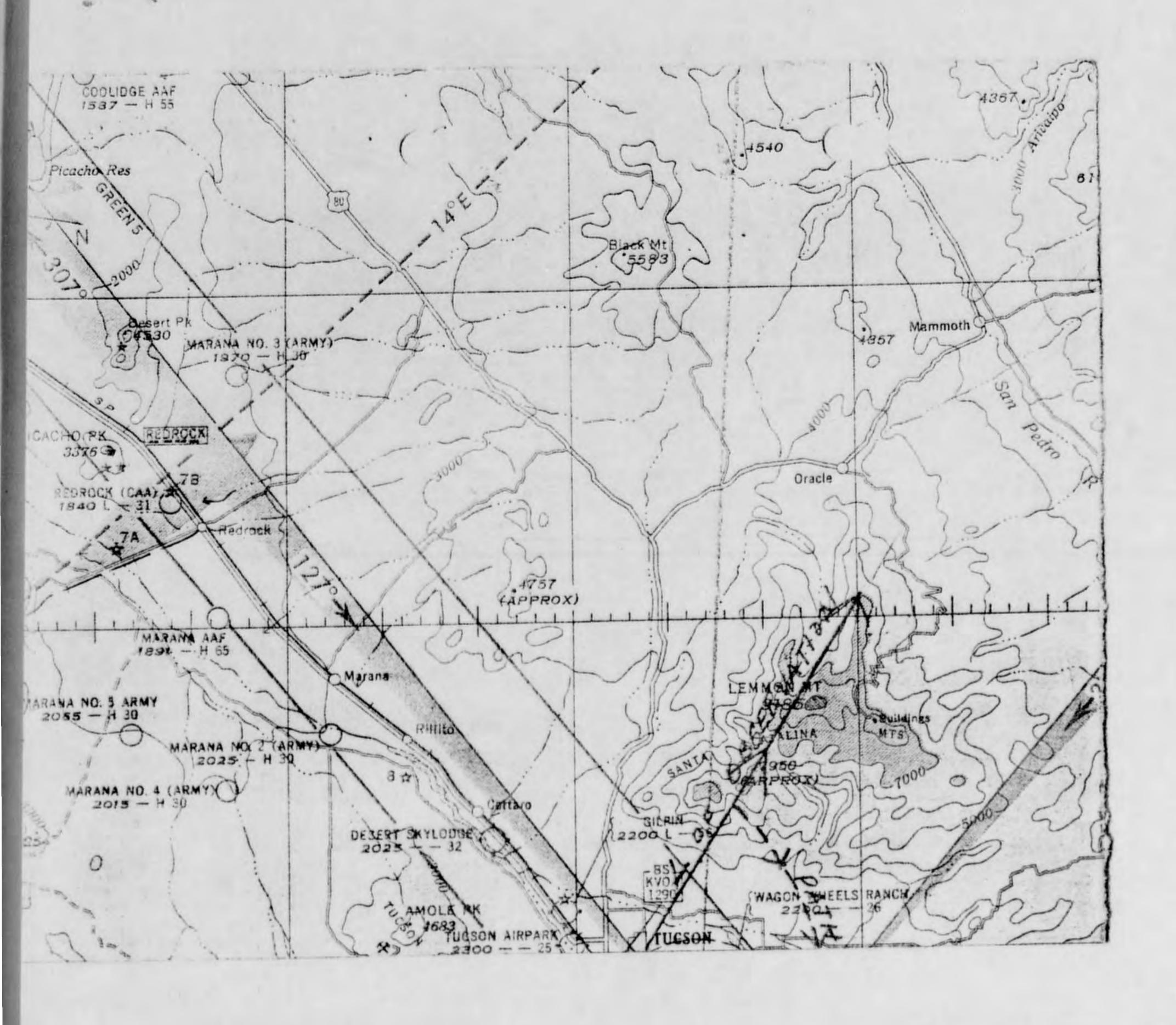
I noted no exhaust or vapor trails. It made no noise. I could see no lights, vinus or tail surfaces. I have noticed B-29s flying high overhead but this seemed to travel much faster.

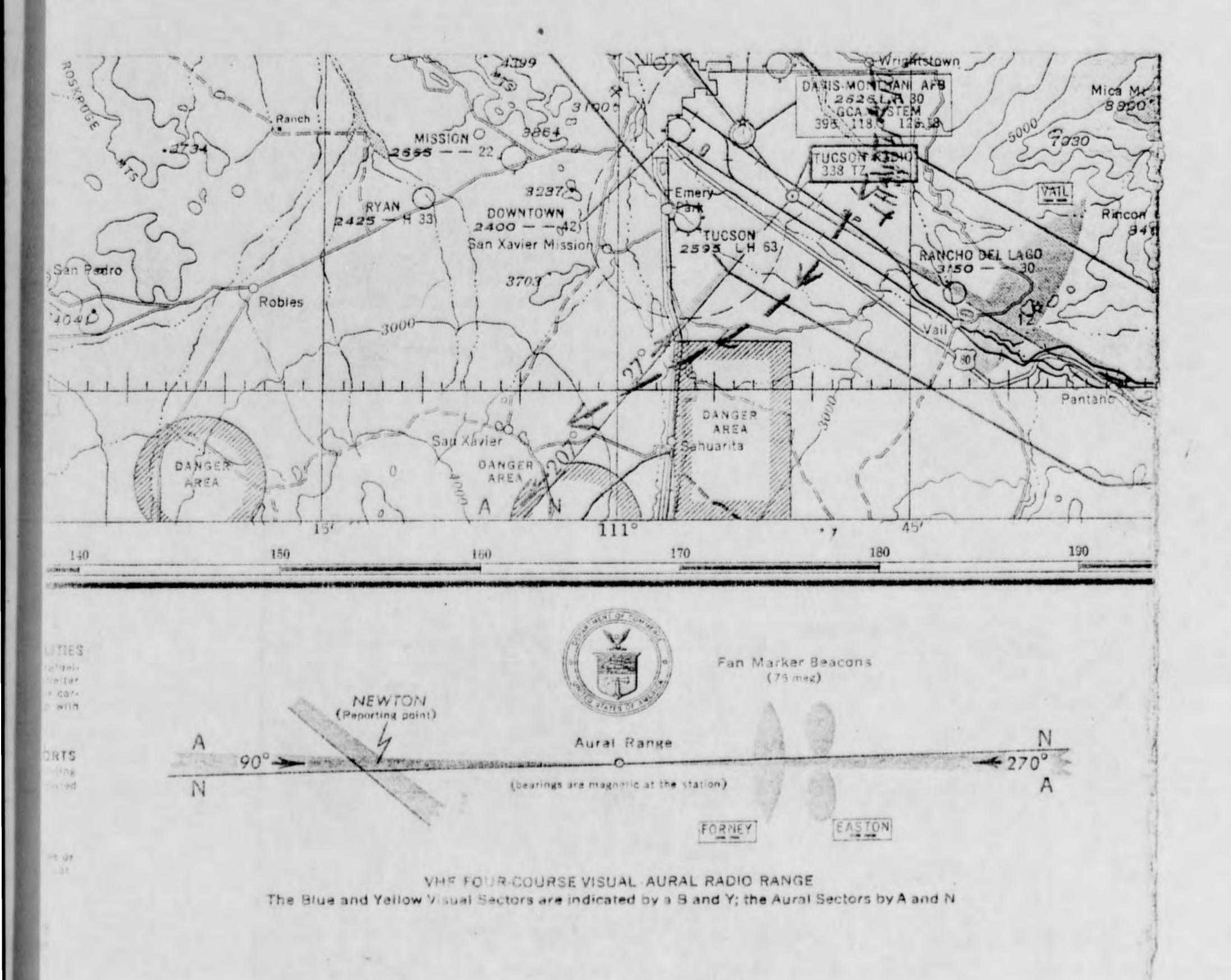
Looking at this object as I did for at least a half hour it seemed to be 5 or 6 feet long and I would say it would be 20 to 25 feet long if it was on the ground.

When I observed this object I was in company with a man named Huber and another named Hamm, who I believe works in a florist shop somewhere on the east side.









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- 1. Date of Observation 28 April 1949 Date of Interview
- 2. Exact Time (local) 1745
- 3. Place of Observation NE Tuscon, Arizona
- 4. Position of observer

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- 5. What attracted attention to object
- 6. Number of objects one
- 7. Apparent size Size of City Block
- 8. Color of object
- 9. Shape Sausage like
- 10. Altitude 30° Elevation 5-10 miles
- 11. Direction from observer NE
- 12. Distance from observer 300 miles
- 13. Direction of flight of object(s) SW in arc
- 14. Time in sight 12 minutes
- 15. Speed 500 miles +
- 16. Sound and odor None heard
- 17. Trail None noticed
- 15. Luminosity Reflecting sunshine
- 19. Projections
- 20. Maneuvers Curved trajectory, appeared to revolve
- 21. Manner of disappearance Faded from view
- 22. Effect on Clouds
- 23. Additional information concerning object
- 24. Weather Conditions Weather clear, no clouds, visibility 50 miles

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Name and address of observer:

Incident 332A, Tucson,

Occupation and hobbies:

Florist

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

ability as observer fair

HARRATIVE SUMMARY:

At approximately 5115 P.M. on 28 April 1919, I signted an object in the air ME of Tueson, Arizona, just over the rim of the Catalina Mountains. This object was very bright and appeared to be reflecting the sunshine. From my point of observation, this object was first sighted at approximately a 30 degree angle of olevathon, and I would judge it to be at that time about job miles in of Tucson. This object was in sight for approximately 12 minutes after which time it disappeared to the SW, just gradually fading from view in the distance. It appeared to be traveling in a curved trajectory, and I believe this object was traveling in a straight line and from my point of observation, the illusion was curved. I would judge this object to be traveling in excess of 100 miles an hour at an altitude of from 5 to 10 miles up-It appeared to be sausage like in shape, with no fine, wings or protrubances of any mort. It seemed to be revolving similar to a slow roll of an airplane. It was most visiable when it reached a position where it reflected the sun's ray, but it also sould be seen during the times when no reflections were visiable. From the height and size of the object in the air, and if it was placed on the ground, I would judge it to be the sime of a city block. I did not hear any noise nor was there any exhaust or vapor trails.

I was in the company of Mr. Ave. and the three of us were standing near the corner of Ave. and Drive while this object was in sight. There were no openings visiable, windows or any other identifiable marks. The only way I can describe it is that it was sammage like in shape. I am sure that this was not a conventional aircraft and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I can give no reasonable explanation as to exactly what the object was that I saw.

Name and address of observer:

Incident . Callup, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:

Truck Driver with Ry Express

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Considered reliable, but ability to observe averages fair.

#### HARRACIVE SUMMARY:

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This object was clear shaped with rounded ends. Had no tail assembly or wings that I could see. It seemed to be rotating as it traveled. I would also say it was traveling at a high rate of speed. There were no clouds, and the sky was very clear. Toward the front of the object, I noted two circular holes which looked just like eyes from that distance.

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FILE NO. DATE HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE 10 May 1949 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT MADE BY JAMES C. MAY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION TITLE REPORT MADE AT DO # 17, Kirtland AFB SUBJECT UNKNOWN PERIOD 3, 5, 6 May 1949. (AERIAL PHENOMONON) OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO # 17, Kirtland AFB STATUS PEND ING CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRIES

REFERENCE

SYNOPSIS

On a report from Mr. (civilian) to Staff Officer of the Day an investigation was initiated on the sighting an unidentified aerial object seen in the vicinity of Tucson, Arizona. Statements taken from persons observing this object. Outline of Project "Sign" followed in this investigation.

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Commanding Officer
Kirtland Air Force Base
New Mexico

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- 1. Date of Observation 28 April 1949 Date of Interview
- 2. Exact Time (local) 1745

- 3. Place of Observation Tuscon, Arizona (10-300 miles NE)
- 4. Position of observer Ground
- 5. What attracted attention to object Glint of Light
- 6. Number of objects Cne
- 7. Apparent size Size of B-29
- 8. Color of object Silver
- 9. Shape Gigar or Sausage Shape (cylindrical)
- 10. Altitude 75° azimuth (25,000-50,000 ft)
- 11. Direction from observer North East
- 12. Distance from observer
- 13. Direction of flight of object(s) NE to SE to SW in curve
- 14. Time in sight 40 minutes
- 15. Speed High rate of speed
- 16. Sound and odor None noticed
- 17. Trail None noticed
- 18. Luminosity Reflected Sunlight
- 19. Projections
- 20. Maneuvers Appeared to be rotating
- 21. Manner of disappearance Faded from view
- 22. Effect on Clouds. None
- 23. Additional information concerning object
- 24. Weather Conditions Weather Clear, no clouds, visibility 50 miles (over)

1. Date of Observation 28 April 1949 Date of Interview

2. Exact Time (local) 1730

3. Place of Observation Tuscow, Brigory

4. Position of observer & nounce

5. What attracted attention to object

6. Number of objects One

7. Apparent size 20-25 ft long

8. Color of object Silver

9. Shape Oval

10. Altitude 60° 4 to 5 miles high

11. Direction from observer

12. Distance from observer

13. Direction of flight of object(s) SE then SM

14. Time in sight 1/2 hour

15. Speed Faster than B-29

16. Sound and odor None heard

17. Trail Mone noticed

18. Luminosity Reflected light

19. Projections

20. Maneuvers Appeared to revolve

21. Manner of disappearance

22. Effect on Clouds

23. Additional information concerning object

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Occupation and hobbies:

Horse-shoer and caretaker

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Character considered high - ability as observer considered fair

#### HARRACIVE SUMMARY:

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I noted no exhaust or vapor trails. It made no noise. I could see no lights, wings or tail surface. I have noticed B-29's flying high overhead, but this seemed to travel much faster.

Looking at this object as I did for at least a half hour, it seemed to be 5 or 6 feet long, and I would say it would be 20 to 25 feet long if it was on the ground.

When I observed this object, I was in company with a man named man and another named who I believe works the seat aide.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF 17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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File No: 24-8

13 June 1949

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)

TO:

Chief of Staff

United States Air Force Washington 25, D. C.

ATTN: Director of Intelligence

- 1. Reference is made to letter, this OSI District Office, dated 7 June 1949, subject as above, and to the four (4) Reports of Investigation attached thereto.
- 2. Attached for your information is one (1) copy of Report of Investigation, this OSI District, dated 10 May 1949, subject as above.
- 3. This District will continue to gather information relative to sightings of this nature for forwarding to your headquarters and Headquarters, Air Materiel Command.

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DOYLE REES Lt Col, USAF

District Commander

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21 JUN 1949

Dept. of the Air Force, Hq USAF, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. ATTN: MCIAX

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File No: 24-8

20 May 1949

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)

TO:

Commanding Officer

Mirtland Air Force Pase

New Mexico

ATTN: Inspector General

- 1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this headquarters, regarding the aerial phenomena which have been sighted in this area.
- 2. Attached for your information are four (4) copies of Report of Investigation, this district, dated 10 May 1949, subject as above.
- 3. This investigation is continuing and future sightings will be made the subject of reports, copies of which will be forwarded to your headquarters.
- 4. Request that two (2) copies of the attached report be forwarded to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, ATTN: MCIAKO-3

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District Commander

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HEADQUARTERS, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico, 20 May 1949

To: Commanding General, AMC, Wright-Patterson AF Base, Dayton, Ohio ATTENTION: MCIAXO-3

Forwarded for your information in connection with the report of investigation forwarded from this Headquarters on 14 December 1948 by 1st Ind to letter same subject as above.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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OLIVER M. NOLA Captain, USAF Adjutant

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# DETAILSINCLASSIFIED

- 1. Date of Sighting: 26 April 1949
- 2. Time of Si-hting: 1745 hours MST
- 3. Where sighted:
  - a. Ground
    - (1) Tucson, Arizona
    - (2) From 10 to 300 miles NE Tucson, Arizona
- (3) Near corner of N Samphell and E Hedrick Dr on sidewalk in front of 1922 East Hedrick Drive.
  - (4) Latitude 32° 15' North, Longatude 110° 57' "est
  - b. n/a
  - c. n/a
- 4. Number of objects No formation
- 5. Distance of object from observer
  - a. n/a
  - b. from 30° to 60°
  - c. 25,000 to 50,000 feet
- 6. Time in sight from 12 to 40 minutes.
- 7. Appearance of object
  - a. silver
  - b. cigar or sausage shape
  - c. metallic
  - d. size
    - (1) from B-29 to city block
    - (2) from 3-29 to city block
- 8. Direction of flight NE to SE to SW in a Graved line UNCLASSIFIED

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9. Tactics or maneuvers - a. Rotating

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- 10. Evidence of exhaust
  - a. No smoke
  - b. n/a
  - c. No odor
  - d. n/a
  - e. n/a
- 11. Effect on clouds No clouds in sky
- 12. Lichts
  - a. Reflected light from sun
  - b. n/a
  - c. n/a
- 13. Support
  - a. Mone
  - b. Not close enough to determine
  - c. No
  - d. Not observed
  - . e. Not known
- 14. propulsion
  - a. Could not see
  - b. Not observed
  - c. Not observed
  - d. Not observed
- 15. Control and stability
  - a. None.
  - b. None

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a. Not observed

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- b. One witness observed two round holes which appeared similiar to portholes or eyes.
- 17. Speed Anywhere from 300 to 600 miles per hours.
- 18. Sound
  - a. None
  - b. None
  - c. None
- 19. Manner of dissapearance Faded from view

No. 1 Observer

- 1. Name -
- 2. Address Address Turson, Arizona, after 7 May 40, Gallup N. M.
- 3. Occupation At Tueson, Caretaker

At Gallup, N. M. Truckdriver for Railway Express

- 4. Place of business
  - a. Caretaker for The Arizona
- 5. Hobbies Photography, 5 years experience
- 6. Ability to date mine .
  - a. Color Not color blind
  - b. Speed of moving objects Not very good
  - c. Size at distance fair
- 7. Reliability of observer
  - a. sources
    - (1) Neighbor Not checked
    - (2) Police Dept. No Record
    - (3) FBI Records Not checked
    - (4) Employer- Considered reliable ....

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8. Notes relative to observer on

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- a. Sightings in general unknown
- b. How attention was drawn to subject Glint of light
- 9. Witnesses
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  - b. Oil man
  - c. Unknown
- 10. Observer well educated, character wery good, seemed to have fair amount of education and also seemed character was very good.

No. 2 Observer

- 1. Name Wante
- 2. Address Tucson Arizona
- 3. Occupation Florist
- 4. Place of business
- a. Part time employee of the state of the st
- 5. Hobbies Artist (Fainter in oils; landscapes and western scenes) 15 Years experience.
- 6. Ability to determine
  - a. Color good
  - b. Speed of moving objects poor
  - c. Size of distance objects poor
- 7. Reliability of observer
  - (1) Neighbor not checked
  - (2) Police Department No Record
  - (3) FBI records not checked
  - (4) Employer Employer Employer.

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- 8. Notes relative to observer on
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- a. Sightings in general fair
- b. How attention was drawn to object Glint of light
- 9. Witnesses
  - a. Addresses Wason, Arizona
  - b. Occupation Transfer
  - c. Reliability unknown
- 10. Mr. Was interviewed by Special Agent Lindell W. Politte and the griter and is considered pretty intelligent, well educated, character good, protections.

No. 3 Observer

- 1. Name Harman
- 2. Address Arizona
- 3. Occupation horse-shoer and caretaker
- 4. Place of business Commence
- 5. Hobbies None
- 6. Ability to determine
  - a Color-good
  - b Speed of moving object "fair
- c Size, at distance air
- 7. Reliability of observer
  - a. sources
    - (1) Neighbor not checked
    - (2) Police Department No record
    - (3) FBI records not checked
- (4) Employer Mr. The commer Circle W Panch thinks highly of witness, is not prone to exagerate and takes information at face value.

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- 8. Notes relative to o'server on
  - a. Sightings in general good UNCLASSIFIED
  - b. How attention was drawn to object Glint of light
- 9. Witnesses
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  - h. Occupation Stable owner
  - c. Reliability unknown
- 10. Observer seemed quite intelligent, very good character, not very well educated but character very good.

Relative to radar sightings - not applicable

#### GENERAL

- 1. Teletype sequences Weather clear, no clouds, visibility 50 miles
- 2. Winds aloft report- Between 1700 and 1900 28 April 1949

Altitude	Velosity in Knots	
5,000		Degrees
6,000	4 320	320
7,000	~	340
	3	170
8,000	4	220
9,000	8	210
10,000	9	210
12,000	12	200
14,000	15	230
16,000	17	260
18,000	16	
20,000	7	260
22,000	,	270
24,000	77	340
26,000	12	320
28,000	23	290
30,000	22	270
	29	280
32,000	35	230
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#### 3. Local Flight Schedules

- a. American Airlines DC 4
- b. Private 4 light aircraft in local area
- c. Air Force 3 T-6

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- 4. No balloons or testing devices had been released by United States Weather Bureau in Tucson, Arizona immediately prior or during this time.
- 5. Object did not contact earth.
- 6. Object not near other aircraft.
- 7. Obtain photographs where available, if not semire sketches of
  - a. Object Appeared to look like cigar or sausage
  - b. Surrounding terrain Map inclosed
  - c. Place "here it contacted earth not applicable .
  - d. Maneuvers rotating motion
  - . e. Formation not applicable
- 3. Semme signed statement statements inclosed.
- 9. O'ttain fragments or physical evidence where possible not applicable
- 10. "as any radio antenna to be observed None observed

Inclosures:

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